TO: All State Directors
Rural Development

A TTENTION: Rural Housing Program Directors

FROM: Arthur A. Garcia (Signed by James E. Selmon III) for

Administrator

Rural Housing Service

SUBJECT: Indirect Costing – Self-Help Technical Assistance Grants Interagency

Agreement between Rural Housing Service (RHS) and the United

States Department of Labor (DOL)

PURPOSE/INTENDED OUTCOME:

The purpose of this Administrative Notice (AN) is to provide for guidance concerning the subject Interagency Agreement. The Interagency Agreement provides information to meet the requirements of RD Instruction 1944-I, "Self Help Technical Assistance Grants."

COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS AN:

This replaces RD AN No. 3714 (1944-I) dated February 21, 2002, which expired September 30, 2002.

IMPLEMENTATION RESPONSIBILITES:

The Agency entered into an Interagency Agreement, effective September 17, 2002, with DOL. The agreement provides for the DOL to serve as the cognizant Agency for establishing indirect cost determinations for Section 523 Self-Help Technical Assistance Grants. It is the responsibility of each grantee that receives funds from multiple sources to either receive approval of its cost allocation method or have an indirect cost rate established.

EXPIRATION DATE: September 30, 2003 FILING INSTRUCTIONS:
Preceding RD Instruction 1944-I

Grantees have been informed that they may request assistance from DOL in preparing their indirect cost proposals. Grantees should use the format specified in the "A Guide for Indirect Rate Cost Determination," Section III, October 1998 (available at http://www.dol.gov/dol/oasam/public/programs/guide3.htm). Grantees requesting funding during the period of this agreement should be advised to prepare and submit proposals to DOL within 90 days of grant closing or provide a copy of its approved indirect cost rate to the Agency within 30 days of grant closing. For questions pertaining to this AN, please contact Daryl L. Cooper, Senior Loan Specialist, Single Family Housing Direct Loan Division at (202) 720-1366.

Attachment

Under the terms of the Interagency Agreement, Rural Development State Offices having self help grantees are to notify DOL Regional Offices of grantees that do not have Government approval of their cost allocation plans, or have not had their indirect cost rates approved by a Federal cognizant Agency. If a cost negotiator does not cover your state, contact their National Office by referring to section B of this list.

A. Listing of DOL Regional Cost Negotiators

Region I and II

States covered by Region I & II

Cost Negotiator: Vacant (Handled by Region III)

CT, ME, MA, NH, VT, RI & NY

Region III

States covered by Region III

Steve Cominski NY, NJ, PA, PR, DE, MD, VA, WV & VI

Regional Cost Negotiator

U.S. Dept. of Labor Office of Cost Determination

Post Office Box 509

Perkasie, PA 18944

Tel: (215)-257-8712 FAX: (215)-257-8994

States covered by Region IV

AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC & TN

Region IV

Phillip Zahnd

Regional Cost Negotiator

U.S. Dept. of Labor

111 Zahnd Way

Florence, Alabama 35634

Tel: (256) 272-0075

FAX (256) 272-0085

Region V & VII

States covered by Region V & VII

IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, OH & WI

Ron Goolsby

Regional Cost Negotiator

U.S. Dept. of Labor

Office of Cost Determination

230 South Dearborn Street, 10th Floor

Chicago, IL 60604-1591

Tel: (312)-886-5247

FAX (312)-353-0127

Region VI

Carol McKone

Regional Cost Negotiator

U.S. Dept. of Labor Post Office Box 821067

Fort Worth, TX 76182

Tel: (817)-281-1503 FAX: (817)-281-1530

States covered by Region VI

AZ, AR, CO, LA, NE, NM, KY, OK, & TX

Region VIII

Cost Negotiator: Vacant (Handled by Region X)

States covered by Region VIII

CA & HI (Except L. A. City & County)

Region X

Arthur Campbell
Regional Cost Negotiator
U.S. Dept. of Labor
Post Office Box 3433
Renton, WA 98056
Tel: (425) 771, 3124

Tel: (425)-771-3124 FAX: (425)-771-3882

States covered by Region X

AK, ID, OR, WA, MT, WY, ND, SD, UT & CA

B. Listing of DOL National Office Cost Negotiators

Laura Patton-Watson, Acting Director

Casimer Carros

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